

## RESCUE – 2015 Phone Calls and Email - Karin Parish



**Application:** 10 adults in the home, and the number of animals in the house now...22 cats, 25 goldfish, think there was some Guinea pigs and Siberian Huskies. They want another dog and we think we are nuts! (My thoughts: Yes you are nuts)

**Application:** I'm looking for a female Westie puppy. I can't afford a lot my limit is about \$350.(My thoughts: How are you going to afford, phone, vet, shots and grooming?)

**Application:** I am looking for a female Westie puppy, but I don't want one until spring. We'd like it housebroken and not over 3 mos old. (no comment)

**Email:** I just wanted some information on the organization, how often do you adopt out? We have a purebred Wedgie and are so in love with him, would love to help one out if ever needed. (My thoughts: Spell check?)



**Email:** Hello my name is Teresa. Me and my family of three are looking for a new addition to our family we currently have a Boxer dog she is 6 and the behaved dog. We are hoping she will contribute to the training of our new puppy !! We would like to adopt a rescue Westie before looking for a regular litter pup. Do you currently have any female puppies available for adoption? We are very excited to hear back from you. (Response: Everyone wants a female puppy. We don't get puppies.)

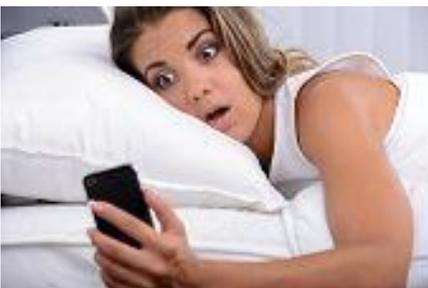


**Email:** I am researching to find a westie-bichon mix, preferably a puppy. This would be for our family of four, with two girls, ages 8 and 10. We've been spending time with our friends on vacation and their west-bichon mix. It seems like the right fit for our family. Would you be willing to send me any resources and guidance on how to find a puppy/young dog? (Response: Petfinder.com)

**Application:** Application submitted: 3/9/2015 11:30:13 AM  
Breed(s) applied for: Golden Retriever Labrador Retriever Norfolk Terrier

(Response: none)

**Email:** Hello! My boyfriend and I are finally looking for a dog in the next 6 months to a year. We are very serious about finding a rescue dog as opposed to a breeder and we are absolutely in love with West Highland Terriers. I believe that you are the perfect person to contact. Please let me know if you have any advice on what we can do to prepare or if you know where we can begin our search for our perfect pup. Thank you! (Response: we don't get puppies)



**Email:** I would like a small terrier to be with my older fox terrier.  
Response: I only do Westies and Scotties and Cairns. Ans: Well I am not really sure what I want. I just had brain surgery and I am confused. Reponse: hummmmm

**Phone call:** Hi, I was at the farmers market and I met someone who adopted a Westie from you. I want a Westie that looks like that, a big nice head and sturdy. When can I adopt one? (Response: Well I don't know what Westie you are talking about, and I don't have any Westies at this time, but if you fill out an adoption application, I will be happy to consider you. Caller: OK, but I want one that looks like that one I saw though, or else I don't want one) My thoughts? Am I QVC?

**Email:** Picked up a 10 yr old off Craigs List.. Turns out the owner is in Israel for two yrs and asked her friend to keep the dog. Well as you know, a cute face Westie isn't like living with a Westie. They aren't labs or pugs. So she got tired of it after 8 mos and gave it to a friend, who had it 3 mos and says he marks in the house - so she put him on Craigs List. We picked him up. He had hair loss from fleas - tadaa something new huh. At the foster home, no peeing in the house, gets along with everyone. THEN I get long distance call from ISRAEL and she said it's her dog and they had no right to give it away - yadda yadda yadda... and I listened to her, and finally said, it's not fair to the dog or your friends to expect them to watch your dog for 2 +yrs. By the first 6 mos, your dog already forgot who you were. I lectured her that the dog is 10 and probably only has 2 more yrs to live, so let him have a real home and it would be a kind thing to do... Apparently i told her to think about it for a week and let me know. She apparently prayed on it and gave us the dog. WHEW... She was a nice loving woman who cared enough to search me out from an other continent. He was adopted out – See Toto in rescue write up.

**Email:** Filled out an application to adopt Choices: a Golden Retriever, a Cairn terrier or a Welsh terrier. The application goes on to list that she really wants an Old English Sheep Dog? BLINK? Hummm... Would that application confuse you?



**EMAIL:** Hello, I am looking for a Norfolk terrier to bring home for the holidays. The dog would be a Christmas puppy as I will be home for a good three weeks to train and introduce the dog into my home. There are five adults in the house including myself no other pets. I am a graduate of Pima medical institute as a veterinary assistant. I am familiar with a number of breeds and have experience with everything from German shepherds to Yorkies and Chihuahuas. I am looking for a companion for myself. I would love to get in contact with you as a rep for the

Norfolk. Thank you for your time. (Response: it's hard to find a breeder of Norfolks let alone one in rescue)



**Application:** Breeds selected: Westie/ Whippet/ Toy Spaniel. Application reads: I specifically want a male Mini Dachshund. (blink) Response: What is it you really want? These are all different temperaments, all different coat care. Ans: How dare you question anything I put on the application! Who do you think you are telling me about dogs. Do you think you are GOD. You should be grateful to me that I want to even save a dog. Take me off your list and never call me again. (me : no problem)

**Application:** Breeds Selected: Irish Setter, Westie or Toy spaniel. Question on the application. Have you ever sold or given away your past dogs. Ans: Yes, three times when we moved. Me: LOL - Delete

**Phone call: (Thanksgiving day)** Hi, I want a Westie. I have a really nice yard and when I am at work I have a really nice dog house they can stay in while I am at work. Response: they aren't meant to be outside dogs. Doesn't it snow in Idaho in the winter? Ans: Yeah, but I can put a dog coat on it. That's not a problem.

**Phone call:** I'd like a Cairn. I used to have a Cairn, but it was really a Cairn mix. It was such a good dog and we bred it to another mix from the shelter and sold the babies. That was a while ago, so I really like the breed. (me – exhale)

**Phone call:** I want a Scottie, mine died and I want a young well behaved Scottie. Response: We rarely ever get Scotties, they are not a popular breed. If you really want one you are going to have to go to one of our Club Breeders. Ans: How much are these. Response \$1500-2000. Ans: OMG, I only paid \$400 for mine 14 yrs ago, that is too expensive.

**Phone:** We live in an apartment that doesn't allow dogs, but I can sneak it in, no problem. Do you have any Westies? Response: nope



**Phone:** Hi I read about Westies on internet and I want hypoallergenic dog for my condo that doesn't shed. Response: Well they are not hypoallergenic, and they do have an undercoat that sheds, but they don't blow their coats. I don't recommend them in condos, as they are a barky breed. Ans: Barky? They never said anything on internet about being barky. Response: yes they were actually bred to be barky as they used to go underground to flush out vermin and would bark so the farmer knew where they were. It's their DNA. Ans: Well that just won't due, I just want a cute fluffy dog, that doesn't bark and is sweet. The Westie I met wasn't barky. Response: How long were you with it? Ans: Oh a good 10 minutes, we met at pet shop.